

Let  $P(x, D) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha(x) D^\alpha$  be such that

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$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} |(D^\beta a_\alpha)(x)| < \infty$$

for all  $\alpha$  with  $|\alpha| \leq m$  and all  $\beta$ . Then  $P(x, \xi) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha$ ,  $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , is in  $S^m$ .

Theorem: Suppose  $\exists x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n \ni$  we can find  $C_1 > 0$  and  $C_2 > 0$  for which

$$\begin{cases} \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha(x_0) \xi^\alpha \right| \geq C_1 |\xi|^m, \\ \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} (a_\alpha(x) - a_\alpha(x_0)) \xi^\alpha \right| \leq C_2 |\xi|^m \end{cases}$$

for all  $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $C_1 > C_2$ . Then for  $-\infty < s < \infty$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ ,

$$\begin{cases} u \in H^{s,p}, \\ P(x, D)u = f, \\ f \in H^{s+m,p} \end{cases} \Rightarrow u \in H^{s+m,p}$$

Remarks 1) Meaning of Theorem: Consider the PDE

on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $f$  is the given data in  $H^{s,p}$ . Then every solution  $u$  in  $H^{s,p}$  has to be in  $H^{s+m,p}$ .

2) Recall that

$$H^{s+m,p} \subset H^{s+m-1,p} \subset \dots \subset H^{s,p}$$

Thus, the solution  $u$  is  $m$  steps more selective or regular than the input  $f$  defined globally on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . So, we call the theorem a global regularity theorem.

3) The theorem is a nontrivial extension of a result of Hess and Kato.

Lemma : Under the hypotheses of the theorem, 23-2

$\exists C > 0$  and  $R > 0 \exists$

$$|P(x, \xi)| \geq C(1+|\xi|)^m, \quad |\xi| \geq R.$$

Remark : The partial differential operator in the theorem is elliptic.

Proof of Lemma : We have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha \right| &= \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} (a_\alpha(x) - a_\alpha(x_0)) \xi^\alpha + \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha(x_0) \xi^\alpha \right| \\ &\geq \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha(x_0) \xi^\alpha \right| - \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} (a_\alpha(x) - a_\alpha(x_0)) \xi^\alpha \right| \\ &\geq (C_1 - C_2) |\xi|^m, \quad x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\exists C' > 0, C'' > 0$  and  $R > 0 \exists$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha \right| &= \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha + \sum_{|\alpha| < m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha \right| \\ &\geq (C_1 - C_2) |\xi|^m - \left| \sum_{|\alpha| < m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha \right| \\ &\geq C'(1+|\xi|)^m - C''(1+|\xi|)^{m-1} \\ &= (1+|\xi|)^m (C' - C''(1+|\xi|)^{-1}), \quad |\xi| \geq R. \end{aligned}$$

$\exists R_1 > 0$  with  $R_1 > R$  and

$$C' - C''(1+|\xi|)^{-1} \geq \frac{C'}{2}, \quad |\xi| \geq R_1.$$

Therefore

$$\left| \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha(x) \xi^\alpha \right| \geq \frac{C'}{2} (1+|\xi|)^m, \quad |\xi| \geq R_1.$$

Hence

$P(x, D)$  is elliptic.

# Proof of the Global Regularity Theorem

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Since  $P(x, D)$  is elliptic of order  $m$ ,  $\exists \tau \in S^{-m} \Rightarrow$

$$T_\tau P(x, D) \circledast = I + R,$$

where  $R$  is infinitely smoothing. So

$$u = T_\tau P(x, D) u - R u$$

$$T_\tau \circledast : H^{s, p} \rightarrow H^{s - (-m)} \Rightarrow T_\tau \beta \in H^{s+m, p}$$

bounded  
linear

$R$  is also of order  $-m \Rightarrow R u \in H^{s+m, p}$ .

$$\circledast u \in H^{s+m, p}.$$